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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (PARAS. 3. &amp; 4.)

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1. LOWENSTEIN/MOOSE ARRIVED VIENTIANE 1815 YESTERDAY CALLED ON ME AT MY RESIDENCE AND WE HAD GOOD GENERAL DISCUSSION LAOS SCENE. DINED WITH POL/MIL OFFICER MORTON DWORKEN LAST EVENING AND DISCUSSED PRINCIPALLY CURRENT MILITARY SITUATION AND PEOPLE IN THE EMBASSY WHOM THEY SHOULD USE.

2. LAST NIGHT I DISCUSSED WITH THEM POSSIBILITY OF GOING TO CHINA AND SUGGESTED BEFORE APPROACHING CHICOM EMBASSY THEY INFORM FORMIN OF THEIR PLANS AND AFTER OPS MEETING THIS MORNING WE CALLED ON ACTING FORMIN KHAMPHAN PANYA. THEY POINTED OUT THAT THEY HAD APPLIED SOME THREE MONTHS AGO FOR CHICOM VISA, HAD VISITED CHICOM TRAVEL AGENCY HONG KONG THIS WEEK AND HED BEEN ADVISED TH CONTACT CHICOM EMBASSY HERE. THEY SAID THEY WERE NOT REPEAT NOT MAKING A GREAT SECRET OF THEIR PLANS BUT WOULD PREFER FOR THE MOMENT TO KEEP IT OUT OF THE INTERNATIONAL PRESS. KHAMPHAN TOOK NOTE, IMPLIED HE WISHED THEM LUCK AND SAID HE WAS GRATEFUL FOR INFORMATION THEY HAD SUPPLIED HIM. DISCUSSION WITH KHAMPHAN THEN DEALT PRINCIPALLY WITH

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CHICOM ROAD AND I LEFT THEM WITH DELEGATE  
FOR FREIGN AFFAIRS FOR I HAD TO ATTEND WEEKLY  
BRIT, AUSSIE, FRENCH AMBS MEETING.

3. LOWENSTEIN/MOOSE SUBSEQUENTLY CALLED AT  
CHICOM EMBASSY AND MET WITH SUBORDINATE OFFICER  
WHO SUGGESTED THEY RETURN TOMORROW. STAFFDEL  
ACCOMPANYING ME SAVANNAKHET TOMORROW, RETURNING  
HERE SUNDAY AND WILL CALL AT CHICOM EMBASSY  
MONDAY. STAFFDEL NOW CONFERRING WITH AUSTRALIAN  
AMBASSADOR CURTIS, LOWENSTEIN HAS TENNIS MATCH  
WITH KHAMPHAN PANY AND THIS EVENING THEY WILL  
BE MEETING INFORMALLY [REDACTED]

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4. SO FAR THEY HAVE SOUGHT NO REPEAT NO DOCUMENTATION.  
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